



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re: U.S. Patent Application of Francine GOULET, ET AL.  
App. No.: 10/678,167 Group Art Unit: 3738  
Filed: October 6, 2003 Examiner: Kamrin R. LANDREM  
For: CONNECTIVE TISSUE SUBSTITUTES, METHOD OF  
PREPARATION AND USES THEREOF

**REPLY TO OFFICIAL ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents

October 13, 2004

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir/Madam:

This letter is filed in response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2004. Please note that an original executed Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address Indication Form (PTO/SB/81) and Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) (PTO/SB/96) are being filed concurrently herewith under separate cover, copies of which are attached hereto.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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